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September 21, 1962 - Friday

Temperature 65°. Crisp and sunny.

Physically, I was in fair enough fettle to face this morning another meeting on Southern Rhodesia in George McGhee's office. Mentally, I was not attuned to the virulence of feeling of the African and International Organization boys, men, and elder statesmen on the subject of how the British should conduct their African affairs. The solution proposed did not take account of the difficult domestic political situation in the UK, when the fate of 300,000 white settlers and their descendants is at stake. It all terminated quite mildly; the hatchet was buried, probably only until this afternoon, by the bureaus involved.

Frank Wisner came to see me about the hush-hush plans for British Guiana. I attended the EUR staff meeting to describe as best I could the Common Market negotiations.

Lunched at the Metropolitan, in which net I talked to Admiral Radford, Carl McCardle, Arthur Krock, Drew Middleton, Bill Lacey, and like or unlike individuals.

John Hightower of AP came to see me. Afterwards, I dropped in on Gerry Smith for multilateral nuclear sharing talk.

We dined at the Eugene Blacks. A large company; many of the key figures in the Bank or Fund meetings were there. Gene is, as he deserves to be, a universal favorite. The Douglas Dillons kindly drove us home.

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September 22, 1962 - Saturday

Went to my private office on Wisconsin Avenue. It looked like a dusty little warehouse, furniture piggledewiggly.

Bill Tyler came to lunch. What a serene, humorous, witty, scholarly companion and friend. I consider him the most superior man in the Foreign Service.

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